hired provisionally, complete a preservice training program, and pass a competency test; and (3) implementing mandatory standards for continuing education for caseworkers "[b]y January 1, 1999," are deleted as obsolete.

Also in subsection (c) of this section, the former references to the Secretary being required to "develop" a preservice training curriculum, a mandatory in–service training program, and mandatory standards for continuing education for caseworkers are deleted as implicit in the references to the Secretary being required to "implement" these requirements.

In subsection (c)(1) of this section, the reference to a preservice training "program" is substituted for the former reference to a "curriculum" for consistency within this section.

In subsection (c)(3) of this section, the reference to "casework supervisors" is substituted for the former reference to "casework supervisory staff" for consistency within this section.

Also in subsection (c)(3) of this section, the reference to mandatory standards "that require that" employees be subject to disciplinary action is substituted for the former reference to mandatory standards "mandating" that employees be subject to disciplinary action for clarity.

Also in subsection (c)(3) of this section, the former reference to "a set of" mandatory standards is deleted as surplusage.

In subsection (d)(1) of this section, the reference to "human services professionals" is substituted for the former reference to "professional" caseworkers or casework supervisors for clarity and consistency with subsection (b)(1) of this section.

Also in subsection (d)(1) of this section, the former prohibition against the Secretary "hir[ing] professional caseworkers or casework supervisors on a contractual basis" is deleted as implicit in the prohibition against the Secretary "employ[ing]" human services professionals on a contractual basis as caseworkers or casework supervisors.

Also in subsection (d)(1) of this section, the former prohibitions against the Secretary hiring professional caseworkers or casework supervisors on a contractual basis "after June 30, 1999," and employing professional caseworkers or casework supervisors on a contractual basis "after June 30, 2000," are deleted as obsolete.

In subsection (d)(1)(i) of this section, the phrase "or both" is added for clarity and consistency with subsection (d)(1)(i) of this section.

In subsection (d)(1)(ii) of this section, the reference to the kinship "care" caseload is added for clarity.

In subsection (e) of this section, the requirement that a contractor "comply" with certain requirements is substituted for the former requirement that